Corporation in the ocuntry are as given below:

1. *Production mines under NMDC Limited:*

(i) Bailadila iron ore project deposit No. 14/11-C, Dist. Bastar, Madhya Pradesh.

(ii) Bailadila iron ore project deposit No. 5, Dist. Bastar, Madhya Pradesh.

(iii) Donimalai iron ore project, Dist. Bellary, Karnataka.

(iv) Panna diamond mining, project, Dist. Satna. Madhya Pradesh.

(v) Chawandia limestone project, Jodhpur, Rajasthan.

2. *Mines under execution/Planning:*

(i) **Bailadila** iron ore project deposit No. 10/11-A, Dist. Bastar, Madhya Pradesh.

(ii) Arki limestone project, Dist. Solan, Himachal Pradesh.

(b) The mines that have gone for joint venture are as given below:

(i) Panthal Magnetic project, Dist. Udhampur, Jammu.

(ii) Based on the Government approval for development of Bailadila iron ore deposit 11-B in the joint venture, National Mineral **the joint venture, National Mineral Development Corporation** agreement with Nippon Denro Ispat Limited (NDIL) now Ispat Industries Ltd.(IIL) on 10th July, 1995 and a new Joint Venture (JV) Compnay in the name & style of **Company in the name & style of M/s. Bailadila Mineral** (BMDC) was incorporated on 31st July, 1995. However, the matter is sub-judice as there are two Court cases (1) Writ Petition before the Hon'ble High Court of Delhi and (2) Writ Appeal before the Hon'ble High Court of Calcutta are pending for adjudication.

Conditions of Coal Mine Workers in Meghalaya

1205. SHRI VEDPRAKASH P. GOYAL: Will the Minister of COAL be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to a write up report under the heading "Search for Black Gold" which appeared in may 18, 1998 issue of "India today" wherein miserable conditions prevalent in coal mines and for the mine workers in Meghalaya have been brought to light;

(b) if so, the reasons for not taking any action to improve the working conditions of coal miners and regulate the mining work in meghalaya; and

(c) the total number of coal mines in Meghalaya and the number of miners working in these mines?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COAL (SHRI DILIP RAY): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) Coal mines in the State of Meghalaya do not fall under the purview of the nationalised coal industry as the mining is done under License from the State of Meghalaya by private parties. As such regulating the mining work in Meghalaya is being done by the State Government only.

सिलकोक का उत्पादन

1206. श्री दिलीप सिंह जूदेव: क्या कोयला मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

(क) वर्ष 1994-95 से 1997-98 के दौरान घरेलू ईंधन के रूप में साफ्ट कोक के बदले "सिल कोक" के उत्पादन का वर्षवार ब्यौरा क्या है;

(ख) कोयले के उत्पादन का कंपनी-वार ब्यौरा क्या है;

(ग) इस समय इनकी प्रति टन उत्पादन लागत और बिक्री मूल्य क्या है; और

(घ) इन तीन वर्षों के दौरान सिलकोक की कंपनी-वार मांग और आपूर्ति का ब्यौरा क्या है और इसकी वर्तमान स्थिति क्या है?

कोयला मंत्रालय के राज्य मंत्री (श्री दिलीप राय): (क) और (ख) "सिलकोक" का केवल दानकुनी कोयला कॉम्प्लेक्स द्वारा उत्पादन किया जा रहा है। 1994-95, 1995-96, 1996-97 और 1997-98 के दौरान हुए "सिल कोक" के उत्पादन का ब्यौरा नीचे दिया गया है:—

वर्ष	मात्रा ('000 टन में)
1994-95	80
1995-96	111
1996-97	129
1997-98	115 (अनंतिम)

(ग) वर्तमान में रु० 3247.91 प्रति मीट्रिक टन उत्पादन लागत की तुलना में "सिल कोक" की बिक्री कीमत, बिक्री कर तथा अन्य लेवी को छोड़कर, रु० 2100/- प्रति मीट्रिक टन है।

(घ) "सिल कोक" का केवल दानकुनी कोयला काम्प्लेक्स द्वारा उत्पादन किया जा रहा है। 1994-95, 1995-96, 1996-97, 1997-98 के दौरान और 26.5.1998 तक कीमत प्रदत्त आर्डर बुक करने की तुलना में "सिल कोक" के प्रेषण किए जाने का ब्यौरा नीचे दिया गया है:—

(आंकड़े '000 टन में)

वर्ष	आर्डर बुकिंग	प्रेषण
1994-95	113	108
1995-96	145	115
1996-97	125	129
1997-98 (अनं०)	111	113
1998-99 (26.5.98 तक)	16	18

Arrears to coal sector

1207. DR. B.B. DUTTA: Will the Minister of COAL be pleased to state:

(a) the magnitude of arrears to the coal sector from the States;

(b) the details of measures taken to liquidate these arrears;

(c) what have been the result, so far;

(d) whether the position of arrears to coal sector was reviewed in the recent cabinet meeting on infrastructure; and

(e) if so, outcome of the discussion?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTER OF COAL (SHRI DILIP RAY): (a) The total outstanding dues from all classes of consumers to Coal India Ltd. as on 31.3.98 stood at Rs. 4776.36 crores (Prov.) out of which Rs. 3929.51 crores were from the Power Sector.

(b) to (e) The payment of arrear dues to CIL by various classes of consumers particularly in the power sector remains under constant review at various levels of the Government. As a result of the decisions taken in these meetings the following steps have been taken by Governemnt/CIL to recover the outstanding dues from SEBs.

(1) Coal India Ltd. (CIL) has been advised to supply coal to power utilities only against advance payment or letter of credit. Cash and Carry Scheme is being implemented with greater vigour since 1.1.1997.

(2) Coal India and its subsidiary coal companies have been persistently following up with the consumers in diverse sectors for settlement of dues.

(3) Recovery of dues by way of adjustment against power bills is also being done in respect of certain power utilities. State Governments have been requested to persuade/enable SEBs to clear the outstanding dues at the earliest.

(4) Umpires have been appointed for resolving the disputed dues between the coal companies and SEBs.

(5) Government has recently decided to recover the outstanding dues of Coal India Ltd. as on 31.12.96 through the mechanism of deductions from the Central Plan Assistance to the State Governments.